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1. Prior to World War II the chemical factory in Podnart was a chemical laboratory owned by a certain Potocnik. The factory was equipped with four silver vats (boilers) for the production of peroxide: Na_2O_2 ; H_2O_2 , et cetera. During the German occupation the laboratory was dismantled and the vats were transferred to Germany.
2. The laboratory was renovated by the Communists after the war. At first a small cosmetics factory was set up and eventually equipment for the production of peroxide was obtained. The latter product is very scarce in Yugoslavia, a liter of H_2O_2 selling for 1,000 to 1,200 dinars on the black market.
3. Certain new machinery ordered in Switzerland and Western Germany began to arrive in the early part of the summer of 1950, and it is rumored that the factory will be enlarged and its output greatly increased.
4. Recently Ljubo Juvan was nominated factory director. Earlier he was director of the paint and varnish factory in Medvode. He was reportedly thrown out of the Communist Party because of graft.

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